(viii) Provide information services, set up libraries, bring out journals, books or other forms of literature to promote the objects of the Foundation;

(ix) Do all such other lawful acts and things as may be necessary or conducive to furthering the objects of the Foundation.

The foundation provides financial assistance to children affected by communal riots which took place after 24th July, 1991. The assistance is provided for items like textbooks, stationery, food, clothing health care and recreation. The scale of assistance is Rs. 425 Per Month per child for class A and B cities and Rs. 375 Per Month per child in other places. The Foundation is funded by the Central Government and by donations from the public.

Granting Status of an Autonomous Hill Council to Leh

1840. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to grant to Leh the status of an Autonomous District Hill Council;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) to (c) A tripartite Agreement was signed on 29-10-1989 between the Ladakh Buddhist Association on the one hand and the representatives of State and Central Governments on the other. Under the Agreement, the Ladakh Buddhist Association agreed to drop their demand for Union Territory Status for Ladakh. It was also agreed that a satisfactory and mutually acceptable solution to the various problems of the Ladakh region will be worked out, and a memorandum submitted by the Ladakh Buddhist Association, which included the demand for Autonomous Hill Council, would also be taken up for detailed consideration.

Pursuant to this, a series of discussions were held in the months of April, May and June, 1992. The last meeting was held in the month of November, 1992 where representatives of Central and State Governments and LBA and LMA participated. It was agreed that the State Government will hold further discussions with the representatives of LBA and LMA and the proposals that may be formulated will be taken up for further discussion at the Central Government level. These proposals are awaited.

सूरत में साम्प्रदायिक दंगों में मारे गये व्यक्ति

1841. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) अयोध्या घटना के बाद 31-1-93 तक सूरत में साम्प्रदायिक दंगों में कितने लोग मारे गये, इनमें से कितने लोग पुलिस की गोली से मारे गये और कितने लोग मुठभेड़ों में मारे गये;

(ख) उक्त अवधि के दौरान दंगों में कितने लोग घायल हुए;

(ग) मृतक के परिवारों और घायल व्यक्तियों को सरकार द्वारा कितनी-कितनी वित्तीय सहायता दी गई;

(घ) इन दंगों के सम्बन्ध में कितने व्यक्ति गिरफ्तार किये गये; और

(ङ) दंगों के कारण कुल कितनी वित्तीय हानि हुई है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० एम० सईद) : (क) से (ङ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी।

दिल्ली में साम्प्रदायिक दंगे

1842. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 27 जनवरी, 1993 को दिल्ली में हुए दंगों में कितने व्यक्ति मारे गये और कितने घायल हुए ;